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OF  
THE  
FIVE SCOUTS

AND  
THEIR  
TOUCHING  
STORIES

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Of Repairing Highways.  
If any Highway be out of the State  
Highways, where the Water is so  
Annoyed. The Ice shall be  
and Bulbs grow in or next ad-  
joining to the Highways, and obstru-

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the Owner of the Ground, or Soil,  
to which the Highways, High-  
ways do belong. It shall beget to  
the next Justice of the Peace, who is  
to write the next Gene-  
ral Sessions, where the Detention is  
to be made.

## Section I.

Of Removing Obstructions in the  
Highways, and Scouring the  
Ditches next adjoining.

First, **B**Efore you begin to re-  
pair the Highways with  
any Stone, Gravel, or  
other Materials, take care to see that  
all Ditches and Drains adjoining  
thereunto, be opened, and scoured,  
and made deep, or low enough to car-

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ry all standing Water out of the same Highways, where the Water is an Annoyance. Also see that all Trees and Bushes growing in or next adjoining to the Highways, and obstructing the easie passage of the People, be cut down, or kept low. And if the Owner of the Ground, or Soil, to which the Ditches, Trees, Hedges, or Bushes do belong, shall neglect to keep them so seoured and cut as aforesaid, then you must present him, within one Month after default, to the next Justice of the Peace, who is to certifie the same at the next General Sessions, where the Defaulter is to be Fined at the Discretion of the Justices, according to the 5 Eliz. Cap. 13. but according to the 18 Eliz. Cap. 10. the Defaulter shall Forfeit for every Default Ten Shillings.

5 Eliz.  
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Secondly, See that the Earth and Soil cast out of the Ditches or Drains into the Highways, be not suffered to lye thereby the space of Six Months, to the Annoyance of the Highways; but be carried off with-

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in that time, by him that holds the Ground next adjoining, and that scoured the Ditch. Which if he shall neglect to do, he Forfeits Twelve Pence for every Load so cast up, and you are to present his default at next Quarter Sessions.

18 Eliz.  
Cap. 10.

Thirdly, See that all Ditches and Drains, in any Ground adjoining to the said Ground adjoining to the Highways, where any ditching or scouring ought to be, for conveying the Water out of the Highway, over the Ground next adjoining, be kept from time to time, as need requires, ditched and scoured. And if he that holds that Ground shall neglect to keep the same so ditched and scoured, he Forfeits Twelve Pence for every Rod not so done and kept, and you are to present his default at next Quarter Sessions.

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Fourthly, See if there be any Springs or Water courses in the Highways, making them deep and dangerous; and if there be, you have

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full Authority to turn the same into any Ditch of the several Ground of any Person next adjoining to the said Highways, in such manner as you shall think most convenient.

Those are the means appointed by the Old Statutes (still in force) for draining the Highways, in general, whether they be more or less than Twenty Foot broad. But for the draining and clearing such Highways as are not Twenty Foot broad, there

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are other additional Means appointed in the Late Statute made for the better Repairing of them, which be these that follow:

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First, Every Person that lays in any such Highway any Timber, Stone, Straw, or other Matter whatsoever, whereby the same shall be obstructed or annoyed, Forfeits for every such Offence Five Shillings, to be Levied by Warrant of Two Justices of your Division or in default thereof any Neighbouring Justices.

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Secondly, Every Possessor of Lands  
now adjoining to the Highway where  
any such Matter lyes, must remove the  
same (and may take it to his own Use)  
which if he neglects to do within Ten  
Days after you have given him no-  
tice, he forfeits also Five Shillings, to  
be Levied as afore said, for every such  
neglect.

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Thirdly, If any Tree, Bush, or  
Shrub, shall stand or grow in such  
Highway, and be not cut down and  
carried away by the Owner of the  
Soil, where the same doth stand or  
grows within Ten Days after you  
have given him notice, he shall For-  
feit Five Shillings for every neglect,  
to be Levied as afore said.

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Fourthly, (Furthermore) what  
Defaults or Annoyances you shall find  
in the Highways, or in Causeys,  
Bridges, Ditches, Hedges, Trees,  
Water courses, Drains, or Gutters  
next adjoining to the same, within  
your Precincts, you are to give pub-  
lick notice thereof from time to time,

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in the Parish Church the next Sunday, immediately after Sermon ended: And if the same shall not be removed, and amended within Thirty Days after such notice given, then you are to do the same within Thirty Days after, and dispoſe of the Annoyances to and for the Repair of the Highways; and you ſhall be Reimbursed your Charges in ſo doing, by the Parties who ſhould have done the ſame, upon your Application to any one of the next Juſtices.

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Note alſo, That you are required under the Penalty of Five Pounds, to preſent upon Oath to one of the next Juſtices, within Fourteen Days after your firſt Acceptance of your Office, and ſo from time to time, every Four Months, during the ſame, the ſtate and condition of all the Roads, Common Highways, Water-courſes, Bridges, Cauſeys, and Pavements within your Pariſh, which are to be repaired at your Pariſh Charge.

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And I must crave leave also to Note, That it seems very equal and reasonable, That when Ditches, and Drains next the Highway, which are to be scoured by the Tenant (who labours hard, and fares meanly, to pay his Rent) are once a Year sufficiently scoured by him, and the Soil carried away; then the same should afterwards, for that Year, be kept in repair by you. For they are afterwards out of repair, only by the passing of Carts, Horses, and other Carriages in the Common Highway, and not by the Tenant's default. Cause all the standing Water in the Highway, to be drained or conveyed into those Ditches and Drains, by new Trenches or Gutters; which ought to be constantly done, especially after every great fall of Rain; for if the Water stands long in any part of the Highways, they will be soon matted, and then require more to be repaired, especially in Clayey Ground. And in such the falling of Water to stand in the Highways, especially in those that are

Section II.

Of Draining the Highways, and Repairing them.

**W**hen you have removed the Annoyances, and cauled the Ditches and Drains next adjoining to the Highways, to be sufficiently opened and scoured by the Owners of the Soil, then do you cause all the standing Water in the Highway, to be drained or conveyed into those Ditches and Drains, by new Trenches or Gutters; which ought to be constantly done, especially after every great fall of Rain; for if the Water stands long in any part of the Highways, they will be soon marred, and then require more Charge to be repaired, especially in Clayey Ground. And (in truth) the suffering of Water to stand in the Highways, especially in those that are

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are much Carted, is the first and principal Cause of their decay and ruin.

Secondly, After the Water is drained out of the Highways, and the Ground become dry, then, and not before, lay on your Materials for repairing; except in Winter-time there happens to be Gulls, or such deep Holes which renders the Ways impassible, and so require present mending.

Thirdly, Where the Ruts, or Padways are deep, first lay Paggots, or Busses of white or black Thorn cross-way, suffering them to be crush'd down by Loaden Carts drawn over; and when you lay Stones on them, then omit not to cover the Stones with Gravel, or such like hard Rubbish; for this will get into the empty spaces between the Stones, and so fasten them together, that Cart-wheels and Horse-feet cannot easily displace them, which otherwise would be, and your Charge half lost.

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That which doth much Gull and  
Marr the Common Highway, is the  
draught of Waggon and Carts with  
Burdens of exceeding weight, as 40,  
50, 60, and sometimes 70 Hundred  
Weight; one of those Carriages doth  
more hurt to the Way, than twenty  
of others, everyone severally Laden  
but with Twenty Hundred. There  
was (indeed) a Remedy provided  
against this Inconvenience, by the

14 Car. 2.  
Cap. 5.

Statute 14 Car. 2. Cap. 5. wherein the  
Carriage in a Cart or Waggon was  
limited to 20 Hundred Weight, be-  
tween the First of *October* and the  
First of *May*; and to 30 Hundred be-  
tween the First of *May* and the First  
of *October*; but that Law is expired,  
and so you have no Remedy in this  
Case, until it shall please the Parlia-  
ment to provide one.

Fourthly, You are required, under  
such Penalty as the Justices shall im-  
pose, not exceeding Forty Shillings,

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Cap. 12.

to suffer no Travelling Waggon,  
Wagon, Cart, or Carriage, wherein any  
Burdens, Goods, or Wares are carried,



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And for your Encouragement, if you prove the Offence by one Credible Witness upon Oath, before any Justice of the Peace, he is to grant you a Warrant for Distraint of the Goods and Chattels of the Offender, for the Sum of Forty Shillings; one third thereof to the Poor of the Parish, another third towards repairing the Highway, and the other third to you or him that discovered the Offence, to be paid by the Highway-keepers ready money at Fiftythly. Remember, that you are required to make every Cart-way leading to any Market-Town eight Foot wide at the least, and as near as may be, even and level; and every

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Causey for Horses Travelling, at the least Three Foot in breadth.

### Section III.

#### Of Providing Materials.

First, **Y**OU may lawfully cause Stones lying upon any Lands or Ground within your Parish, to be gathered and carried for the amendment of the Highways.

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Secondly, You may take and carry away so much of the Rubbish, or small broken Stones, of any Quarries in your Parish, as you shall think necessary for the mending of the Highways, without Licence of the Owner; Provided you find the Rubbish or Stones ready digged by the Owner; for it is not lawful for you to cause them to be digged out of the Quarry.

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Thirdly, If any such Rubbish cannot be found there, then it is law-  
ful for you to dig for Gravel, Sand,  
or Cinders, in any Persons several  
Ground within your Parish, right ad-  
joining to the Way that is to be repair-  
ed, and wherein Gravel, and such  
stuff, is like to be found, and to carry  
away so much thereof as you shall  
think necessary, provided that you  
do not dig in the House, Garden,  
Orchard, or Meadow of any Person,  
nor dig more than one only Pit in any  
several and enclosed Ground; nor  
that the Pit be any way in breadth or  
length above Ten Yards over at the  
most; nor left unfilled up again with  
Earth, above one Month after it hath  
been made. Of all which you must  
be Circumspect, for you Forfeit for  
every default you shall make therein,  
Five Marks to the Owner of the  
Soil.

Fourthly, If you have not in your  
Parish Gravel, Stones, Quarries, nor  
other Materials fitting for the amend-  
ing of the Highways, by reason  
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whereof you are forced to lay  
your own Money for the Buying of  
such Materials; then upon your giv-  
ing notice of the Sum Expended by  
you, and making Oath thereof to the  
Justices at their Special Sessions,  
(which by the Late Act is to be hold-  
en once in every Four Months) they  
or any two of them, are empowered  
to cause a Rate to be made, for the  
reimbursing you, upon the Inhabi-  
tants of your Parish, who are to be  
Disfranchised, if they refuse to pay.

levellers, and enclosed Ground; nor  
that the Pit be any way in breadth or  
length above Ten Yards over at the  
mouth; nor left unrailed up again with  
Earth, above one Month after it hath  
been made. Of all which you must  
be Circumspect, for you Perceive for  
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Parish Gravel, Stones, Quarries, nor  
other Materials fitting for the amend-  
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Section IV.

Of Providing Labourers.

First, Every Householder, and every Cottager [one that holds a House without Land] and every Labourer of your Parish, being able to Labour, and being no Hired Servant, shall either work themselves, or every one of them send a Labourer to work Six Days in every Year, in the amendment of the Highways.

Secondly, Every Person (except such as Dwell in the City of London) chargeable in your Parish, but as a Cottager to the mending of the Highways, if he be Assessed in any Subsidy or Tax to the King, so much as to Five Pounds in Goods, or Forty Shillings a Year in Lands, shall find two able Men Yearly, to Labour Six Days in the Highways.

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Thirdly, Every such Person as a-  
bovesaid, shall have and bring with  
them such Shovels, Spades, Mat-  
locks, and other Tools as are necessa-  
ry for their Work; and shall do and  
keep their Work, as you, or one of  
you shall appoint them, Eight Hours  
every of the said Days, unless you  
or one of you, shall otherwise Li-  
cense any of them.

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Fourthly, The Six Days for work-  
ing in the Highways, and for provid-  
ing Materials, are to be appointed  
by you; having respect to the Wea-  
ther and Season of the Year, and giv-  
ing publick notice some convenient  
time before the Six Days. And in  
such places where the Highways can-  
not be sufficiently repaired before  
Midsummer, you may take time to do  
the same until a Fortnight after Mi-  
chaelmas; but within that time they  
must be repaired.

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Cap. 12.

Fifthly, If any of the said Persons  
Chargeable, as aforesaid, to find La-  
bourers for mending the Highways,  
shall

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shall neglect to send them to make their respective Days Labour, then you are to make Complaint thereof to the next Justice of the Peace, who are required, upon Proof made to them of such neglect, by the Oath of one Credible Witness, to Levy by Distress and Sale of the Goods of every Offender, the Sum of One Shilling and Six Pence for every Days default of every Labourer.

Also you may return all and every of the Defaulters within one Month after every default made, to some one Neighbouring Justice of the Peace, who is to present the same at the next Quarter Sessions, where the Offenders are to be Fined as the Laws and Statutes appoint.

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But here (again) I must crave leave to say, that it seems very unequal, that every poor Cottrager, and Labourer, who hath not Bread for himself and Family to Eat, but what he Earns by his Labour from Day to Day, should be Charged to Labour

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himself, or to find a Labourer to work the Six Days, in repairing the common Highways. And therefore I cannot blame the Practice of some Surveyors in this Case, especially of those that live in Corporate and Market Towns, where the Poor abound, in admitting the Children of Poor Cottagers and Labourers, in Lieu of their Parents, to Labour the Six Days in gathering Stones for repair of the Highways; and in Conniving at the Absence of other Poor Cottagers that have no Children to send, or in taking but a little Money of them for their defect. *For the utmost of Justice, in this Case, would be Injustice and Oppression.*

The next Quarter Sessions, where the Offenders are to be fined as the Laws and Statutes appoint.

But here (again) I must crave leave to say, that it seems very unequal, that every poor Cottager, and Labourer, who hath not bread for himself and Family to Eat, but who he Eats by his Labour most Day to Day, should be Charged to Labour himself.

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**Section V.**

**Of Providing Carriages.**

**E**very person Inhabiting in your Parish, for every Plow-land in Village or Pasture, Occupied by him, and lying in your Parish, shall send a Cart or Wain, with Horses or Oxen, and also two able Men with the same, Six Days in every Year for the amending of the Highways.

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By a Plow-land, in the Statute, is not meant the quality of Land, as Arable or Tillage, but the quantity of Lands, whether the same be Arable or Pasture. In former Times the Subjects have been Taxed for all their Lands to the King, only by a Plow-land, or Hyde of Land, (which are both the same). But what quantity of Land is intended by a Plow-land, all Men have not agreed; yet now it is

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commonly taken and allowed to be *as great a Portion of Land as may be in one Year Tilled and Labour'd with one Plough*: And if after that Rate, according to the best of your Judgment, you shall Charge any Occupier of Lands, either Pasture or Arable, lying within your Parish, and he be Distrained for neglecting his Duty to the Highways, according to that Charge, he hath no Remedy if he finds himself Agrieved, but by Appealing to the Justices of the Peace at their next General Quarter Sessions, where they have Power to hear and determine it.

18 Eliz.  
Cap. 10.  
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Note, that the Occupier of a *Plowland*, is not Charged for the same with respect to his or her keeping a *Draught or Plow*, but with respect to the quantity of Land he or she Occupies in your Parish.

Secondly, Every other Person that keepeth a *Draught or Plow* in your Parish, shall in like manner find and send *one Wayn or Cart* with *Horses or Oxen*.

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Oxen. If any Person be Charged for  
Occupying a Plow-land, he cannot al-  
so be Charged for keeping a Draught  
or Plow; and if he keepeth a Draught or  
Plow, and Occupies no Plow-land, yet  
he shall be Charged for keeping a  
Draught or Plow.

If the Person Charged for keeping  
a Draught or Plow, keepeth more  
Draughts or Plows than one, yet he  
shall be Charged to furnish one Cart  
or Wagon with Horses or Oxen; for,  
neither the Statute of P. and M. nor  
any other Statute doth Charge him  
to find more than one, although he  
that Occupies more Plow-lands than  
one, shall find as many Carts or  
Wagons with Horses as he hath Plow-  
lands in his Occupation, within your  
Parish.

Yet in the Kings Bench when Hale  
was Chief Justice, the whole Court  
was of Opinion, that so many Draughts  
as any Man kept, so many he ought to  
send to the Highways; for so the Ser-  
vice they do, will answer the Damage by  
them.

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*the Justice of the Peace.* Which Opinion seems to be very Equitable, and to square with the Reason and Intent of the Law; and therefore if you Charge such Persons accordingly, you need not fear, (as I conceive) of the same, to be approved by the Justices at their Quarter Sessions, in case the Defaulter shall Appeal thither.

The Keeper of a *Drain* or *Plow*, you may Charge for the same, to send so many Horses with a *Cart* or *Wagon* as he usually draws the same with, whether that be two, or three, or more.

Thirdly, Every Person dwelling in your Parish, that Occupies a *Plow* land in Tillage or Pasture lying in several Parishes, shall be Charged for all the same in your Parish where he dwells. And he or she that dwells in another Parish, and keepeth in his or her Hands one or more *Plow* lands in your Parish, shall be Charged for every of them in your Parish.

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Fourthly, If any of the said Carts and Wayns shall not be thought needful by you, to be employed upon any of the said Six Days, then every such Person that should have sent any such Carriages, should send in Lieu thereof two able Men to work for that Day.

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Fifthly, Every Person and Carriage aforesaid, shall have and bring with them such Shovels, and other Tools as be necessary for their work, and shall do and keep their work, as you, or one of you shall appoint them Eight Hours every of the said Six Days, unless you shall otherwise allow it.

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Sixthly, In such places where there is no use of Carts and Teams for mending the Highways, but the usage is to carry Materials on Horseback, or by other kinds of Carriages, there the Inhabitants shall send such their Horses and other Carriages in Lieu of Carts, with two able Labourers, in like manner as with Carts.

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Seventhly, If any Persons shall neglect to send their respective Carriages and Horses as afore said, then the Penalty of Ten Shillings for every Days default of a Cart with two Men, and of Three Shillings for every Days default of a Man and Horse, shall be Levied in such manner as is expressed before of Day-labourers.

Eightly, Every Person and Carriage who are required to return the Defaulters within one Month after every default made as you are before directed, to return the default of Labourers.

Ninthly and Lastly, If after your using all those means herein before mentioned, the Justices of the Peace shall be satisfied, that the Highways, Causeys, Bridges, Streets, or Pavements within your Parish, cannot be thereby sufficiently repaired, then the said Justices, at their General Quarter Sessions, are to allow and order one or more Assessment to be made upon the Inhabitants of your Parish, for the raising of Moneys to repair,

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as need shall require, by Distress of the Goods of those that shall refuse to pay: provided that no such Assessment made in one Year, shall exceed the Rate of Six pence in the Pound of the Yearly Value of Lands and Tenements: nor the Rate of Six pence for Twenty Pounds in Personal Estate.

Thus far I have provided to inform you of the Power, and Means, given and appointed by the Statutes for repairing the Highways: and now I shall add my own Animadversion upon the manner of Charging Persons to the repairing of them.

To speak (then) plain, the way and manner of Charging Persons by the Old Statutes still in force, seem to me as unequal and oppressive, as it is uncertain and obscure. And I do conceive, that to Charge all Persons by an Assessment only, made according to the Rate of the Poors Tax, will be more Equal, more Basic, and less Charge to the Parish, than to Charge Persons by a Plow-land, and by a Draught.

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*Draught* or *Plow*, and by being meet Cottagers. And this will appear evident, if all Circumstances be compared and considered, of which I shall here offer only some.

First, By this means of Charging Persons by such an Assessment, the Surveyors will be enabled to command Carriages in times needfull and convenient, and with such Carriers and Labourers as will for their Hire, carry full Loads, and labour hard, whereas on the other hand, those that are Charged to find and lend in Carriages with their own Men, will Load and Draw as they please themselves for their own ease, come and go at their own time and leisure, and so not perform half so much work in a Day, as the other that are Hired.

Also the Surveyors will be enabled to Hire such Day labourers as are able, and will be Industrious for their Hire, one of which (as I have observed) will do more work at the Highways in one Day, than is done by



by six or seven of others that come to work upon their own account as Cutters, or that are lent in by them. These are they that call themselves *The King's Highway-Men*, when they beg of all Travellers that come near them; but they are commonly called, *The King's Loyerers*, who work when they list, come and go at their Pleasure, and spend most of their time in standing still and prating, and looking after their Fellows, whom they send out from their Work, most shamefully to stop Passengers for a *Loyers*.

Also all Inhabitants will be Assessed proportionably to what they Occupy in Lands, or Possels in Goods, which is agreeable to Equity. And the Farmer or Husbandman, who doth most hurt to the Highways, by his often Carting, for his proper Benefit, will pay the most in the Assessment, which is also reasonable.

Whereas on the other hand, by the present manner of Charging Persons, the

the poor Houfholder or Cottage  
whole Family is maintained with  
Bread only by his daily Labour  
Charged with as much Duty in the  
Highways, as other Rich Inhabi-  
tants (especially in Corporate and  
Market-Towns) who are worth  
some of them, 500*l.* 1000*l.* and  
some more: which is very unequal  
and oppressive.

And although those that keep  
Draughts or Carriages for Hire, and  
Occupy little or no Land, may, by  
this way of Assessment, escape with  
paying little, and yet wear out the  
Highways much: that may in Reason  
be dispensed with, considering that  
those Hired Carts are kept generally  
for the Accommodating of the In-  
habitants, as they may have occasion  
paying for the use of them.

Lastly, By this way of Charging  
all Persons by such an Assessment,  
the Surveyors may once a Year Em-  
ploy poor People, and their Chil-  
dren, to gather those Stones on or

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Lands, that are to be gathered for relieving the Highways, and allow them for gathering the same, after the Rate of 2d. a Rod, or 11d. a Cart-load, be such a price as the Stones are truly worth to buy, when gathered; by which means the poor Labouring and idle Children will be encouraged to work hard, who otherwise for want of Employment, would perhaps want Bread.

But we must win, and be contented with things as they are, till the Matter shall be taken into Consideration by a Parliament, and altered; and in the mean time you must Change all Persons, as the present Laws in being have directed.

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### *The Close.*

**R**emember before you go out of your Office, or be discharged from it, that at some such special Sessions, which the Justices of the Peace





